





Today's  
Advertisements.ZETLAND LODGE.  
No. 125, E.C.A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 1st February, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.  
Hongkong, 1st February, 1897.

## NOTICE.

BERT WILLIAMS'S GREAT WORLD  
CIRCUS  
AND  
TRAINED ANIMAL EXHIBITION.IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE LATE  
ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMER THIS  
MORNING.THE OPENING PERFORMANCE  
IS UNAVOIDABLY  
POSTPONEDTILL  
TO-MORROW  
(TUESDAY), 2ND FEBRUARY.Hongkong, 1st February, 1897.  
HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of  
SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the  
OFFICES of the COMPANY No. 14, Praya Central,  
on MONDAY, the 22nd February, 1897, at 12  
o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving the  
Report of the Directors and the Statement of  
Accounts to the 31st December, 1896, and of  
approving by resolution of the proposed purchase  
of Hong-Ham Island Lots Nos. 171 and 172  
and of the proposed extension to Kowloon  
Marine Lot No. 27 and to Hong-Ham Marine  
Lot No. 1 on terms to be stated.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 22nd  
February, both days inclusive.By Order of the Board of Directors,  
THOS. I. ROSE,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1897.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY  
ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS  
in the above Company will be held at the  
OFFICES of the COMPANY, Pedder Street,  
on FRIDAY, the 26th day of February, 1897,  
at 12.30 of the clock in the afternoon, to receive  
a Statement of Accounts to 31st December,  
1896, and the Report of the General Managers,  
and to elect a Controlling Committee and  
Auditors.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 26th  
February, both days inclusive.JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers,  
HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.  
Hongkong, 30th January, 1897.J. AREVALO,  
MANILA DENTIST,  
No. 1, RIFON TERRACE.MODERN AMERICAN SCHOOL AND  
APPARATUS.DOES all sorts of artificial Teeth and  
Fillings.  
CURES DISEASES OF THE MOUTH AND  
BAD TEETH.Patients will be attended at their own houses if  
desired from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.  
OFFICE HOURS from 9 P.M. to 5 P.M.  
No. 3, Ripon Terrace.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1897.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship "GLENARTNEY"  
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees  
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their  
Goods are being landed at their risk into the  
Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf  
and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon,  
whence delivery may be obtained.Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless  
notice to the contrary be given before Noon  
TO-DAY.No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Consignees are requested to present all Claims  
for damages and/or shortages not later than  
the 14th instant, otherwise they will not be  
recognized.All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to  
be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined on the 8th instant, at 11 A.M.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1897.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship  
"KWEIYANG,"  
Captain Osterbridge, will be despatched as above  
on THURSDAY, the 18th instant.For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1897.

Today's  
Advertisements.MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA,  
LIMITED.I HAVE This Day HANDED OVER  
in CHARGE of this Branch of the Bank to  
Mr. JOHN THURBURN.J. W. R. TAYLOR.  
Hongkong, 1st February, 1897.

## NOTICE.

WE have This Day OPENED a BRANCH  
of our Firm in SHANGHAI.SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.  
Hongkong, 1st February, 1897.

## NOTICE.

WE have This Day established ourselves  
at HANKOW and CANTON.Mr. JOH THYEN has been Admitted a  
PARTNER in our Firm at HANKOW.Mr. W. MELCHERS has been Authorized  
to Sign our Firm per Procurator at CANTON.MELCHERS & CO.  
Hongkong and Shanghai,  
1st February, 1897.PUBLIC AUCTION  
OF  
BILLIARD TABLES:THE Undersigned has received instructions  
to Sell by  
PUBLIC AUCTION  
ON  
SATURDAY, the 6th February, 1897,  
commencing at 2.30 P.M.,  
at his SALES ROOMS, DUNDRELL STREET.ONE THURSTON'S ENGLISH, Full Sized  
BILLIARD TABLE, with BALLS, &c., &c.  
ONE SMALL PARLOUR BILLIARD  
TABLE, and CUES.Also  
A QUANTITY OF  
JAPANESE BAMBOO FURNITURE.  
TERMS OF SALE—Cash on delivery.  
GEO. P. LAMBERT,  
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1897.

Intimations.  
DAKIN, CRICKSHANK &  
COMPANY,  
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,  
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

LEMONADE.

GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYADE, &amp;c.

DAKIN, CRICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are  
made under the constant supervision of a duly  
qualified English Chemist and will bear com-  
parison with the best English Manufactures.Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSES and  
other Large Consumers.Any complaints should be addressed to the  
Manager.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1897.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE HONGKONG  
TELEGRAPH" ARE MOST RESPECTFULLY  
REMINDED THAT ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS  
MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.A. S. WATSON & CO.,  
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINE &  
SPIRITS.ALL these are selected by our London House,  
bought direct at first hand, imported in wood  
and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all inter-  
mediate profits, and enabling us to supply the  
best growths at MODERATE PRICES.PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on  
Application.PORT after removal should be rested a month  
before use. When required for drinking at  
once it should be ordered to be decanted at the  
DISPENSARY before being sent out.SHERRY—Excellent Dinner and After-Dinner  
Wines of very superior Vintages. All are  
true Xeres Wines.CLARET—Our Claret, including the lowest  
Priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine  
product of the juice of the grape and are not  
artificially made from raisins and curants,  
as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.BRANDY—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be  
pure COGNAC, the difference in price being  
merely a question of age and vintage.WHISKEY—All our Whiskey is of excellent  
quality and of greater age than most brands  
in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKEY  
marked "W" is universally popular, and is  
procured by the best local distillers,  
and is superior to any other brand in the  
Hongkong market.We only guarantee our WINE & SPIRITS  
to be genuine when bought direct from us in the  
Colony or from our authorized Agents at the  
Coast Ports.A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.  
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 15th September, 1896.

## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1897.

THE PLAGUE IN INDIA.

We gather from the latest Indian  
exchanges that the panic which has set in  
amongst the trading and artisan classes  
at Bombay has at length reached the  
mill-hands and two Bombay mills have  
closed in consequence of the determination  
of the workers to leave the city. Up to  
the date of latest advices the mills had  
been particularly free from plague and  
the panic is ascribed chiefly to the ex-  
ample set to the men by some native man-  
agers in leaving the city. A general  
exodus of the mill population of the city  
would mean the addition of close upon a  
quarter of a million people to the ranks of  
the unemployed in the country dis-  
tricts. These people would soon  
exhaust their resources and the  
burden of supporting men, who  
had voluntarily abandoned remunerative  
employment would probably fall upon the  
State at a time when the famine will be  
absorbing every available rupee.Letters continue to be received by the  
Press urging the closing or removal of the  
Government Law Class and the closing of  
the schools and colleges. The Govern-  
ment has, however, wisely decided not to  
close these institutions in order to give no  
encouragement to the wholesale flight now  
taking place. Next to the measures that are  
being taken to keep the city clean, nothing  
can be of greater importance than the  
endeavours that are being made to hold  
the population together and prevent  
unnecessary panic.The lamentable death of Dr. MANER  
has a significance from a professional  
point of view which must be regarded as  
of the highest importance. It establishes  
the important fact that a large category  
of cases in which the early and pre-  
dominating symptoms are mainly respira-  
tory are really cases of bubonic plague.In three instances the bodies of hospital  
patients who were reported to have died  
of pneumonia have been examined during  
the last few days, and bacterial observa-  
tion made it clear that, though there was  
a complete absence of bubonic symptoms,  
plague was the real cause of death. This  
being the case, the difficulty of dealing  
with the disease is so much the greater,  
inasmuch as these cases have not the more  
obvious symptoms of plague, and are prob-  
ably diagnosed as pneumonia, fever, or  
bronchitis; hence they are not reported as  
plague, and no disinfection or other  
effective precaution is taken.Plague has also broken out at Poona  
and the authorities are taking all possible  
steps to prevent the spread of the disease.  
So far as can be ascertained the cases re-  
ported to persons who had lately visited  
Bombay; but this can hardly now be said of  
Surat, where the plague seems to  
have got a firm footing.Crowded meetings of all nationalities  
continue to be held at various places to  
discuss methods of checking the spread of  
the disease and to provide for the segrega-  
tion of the inmates of houses in which  
cases have occurred.THE CELEBRATION OF THE  
QUEEN'S REIGN.

A CORRECTION.

SINGAPORE, February 1.

It should have been stated that the  
Municipal vote is \$5,000 for festivities and  
\$50,000 for a permanent memorial of  
public utility. The Government attrib-  
ute equal sums for these objects. The  
general public will be asked to contribute  
\$100,000 towards the memorial.The message published in our last issue,  
which is now corrected, read as follows—The  
Singapore Municipality have voted \$50,000  
for festivities in connection with the celebra-  
tion of the Queen's long reign in June next. On  
the other hand, the Government have voted  
for a permanent memorial of public utility. The  
Government have signified its intention to at-  
tribute similar sums towards these objects.

REUTER'S MESSAGE.

SOUTH AFRICAN AFFAIRS.

DEBATE IN THE COMMONS.

LONDON, January 31.

In the House of Commons Mr. Eph  
Chamberlain moved the re-appointment of the  
Chartered South Africa Company. Mr. Chamberlain  
in the House of Commons Mr. Eph Chamberlain  
in the House of Commons Mr. Eph ChamberlainMr. J. M. Maclean moved an amendment  
to drop the Enquiry, which he said was inadi-  
quate and needless.Sir J. Lubbock, who seconded the amend-  
ment, said that it was the duty of the House  
to consider the best interests of the Empire  
and that the enquiry would revive racial feuds.  
The debate was adjourned.On the assumption of the debate Mr.  
Chamberlain made a most impressive plea,  
in which he urged that the proposed Bill  
must apply equally to Jameson's raid and  
causes thereof, namely, the grievances of the  
Uitlanders. He said that President Kruger's  
repeated promises to consider the grievances  
of the Uitlanders had been but meagrely met  
and that portions of the laws recently passed  
in the Transvaal were contrary to the Convention  
and had not improved the situation,  
which had latterly shown an undoubted  
tendency to worsen.Mr. Maclean withdrew his amendment  
and Mr. Chamberlain's motion was carried  
as a division.

THE PLAGUE IN INDIA.

The Medical Department has ordered the  
of the Medical Department now on leave from  
to India immediately, and has applied

## TELEGRAMS.

Army Medical Department for volunteers for  
plague service in India. Those who are selected  
will start for Bombay immediately.(Special to Koko Chronicle.)  
THE CAREW CASE.THE DEFENCE OF MRS. CAREW.  
YOKOHAMA, Jan. 23rd.Mr. Lowder to-day commenced his address in  
defence of Mrs. Carew. He was about half  
through it at noon, when the Court adjourned till  
Monday.In the afternoon the jury inspected the house  
lately occupied by the Carews.(From Koko Chronicle.)  
THE GERMAN MINISTER AND THE  
STUDENTS.A communication was recently made by the  
authorities of the Metropolitan Police Bureau  
to the German Minister in regard to the alleged  
surrender by him to two students of the  
Sajo Gakko. The German Minister has replied  
saying that he had no intention of striking the  
students, but if the whip did in fact touch them,  
he was very sorry and ready to apologise. The  
Police authorities have referred the reply to the  
Foreign Minister to-day.As a question was asked respecting this  
matter in the House of Representatives, it is said  
that the results of negotiations will be reported  
to the House and the German Minister will write  
a letter of apology. It has been rumoured that  
the German Minister will go home in conse-  
quence of the trouble. This is incorrect. His  
term of service has expired, but His Excellency  
will not return to Germany until the negotiations  
for the supplementary treaty are completed. He  
is therefore expected to remain in Tokio till  
about March next.

THE NAVAL PROGRAMME.

The Ministry has amended the naval ex-  
tension scheme proposed by the last Ministry.  
It has been decided to increase the tonnage  
of the four first-class cruisers, from the first stage  
of the extension, from 7,500 tons to 9,000 tons  
and also to extend the steel armour below the water-  
line. Alterations have also been made in the  
plans for the two first-class cruisers for the  
second stage, making the vessels armoured  
cruisers. When the whole programme is com-  
pleted, there will be in the Japanese Navy eight  
armoured cruisers, each 9,000 tons, and four  
battle-ships, each of 14,000 tons. The total  
tonnage of the naval fleet will be over 225,000  
tons.(From L'Espresso du Tonkin.)  
THE ITALIAN CHAMBER.

PARIS, January 22nd.

The Italian Chamber is dissolved.

THE TSAR.

PARIS, January 22nd.

The Tsar was present yesterday at a review of  
the St. Petersburg Garrison.

THE PLAGUE CONFERENCE.

PARIS, January 24th.

France will join the sanitary conference which  
is to meet at Vienna. She has forbidden the  
Mohammedans of Algeria, Tunis, and Senegal  
to go on pilgrimage to Mecca.

THE PLAGUE IN INDIA.

PARIS, January 23rd.

The bubonic plague is spreading in towns in  
the neighbourhood of the city of Bombay.(From Bangkok Observer.)  
NOTHING SETTLED.

LONDON, Jan. 19th.

The statement of the New York World as  
to Spain and America having come to an  
agreement with respect to Cuba is denied in  
Madrid.

AUSTRIA AND GERMANY.

LONDON, January 17th.

Count Goluchowski is visiting Berlin and  
has been received with marked honour. There  
is no doubt that his visit has a special political  
object.

THE NIGER EXPEDITION.

LONDON, January 19th.

Two hundred mules have been ordered to  
Feno, as well as the St. George, the flagship  
at the Cape.

THE QUEEN'S SPEECH.

Parliament has been opened. The Queen's  
speech refers to the massacres in Turkey, to the  
Dongola expedition, and to the Arbitration treaty  
with America. The Queen further directs the  
Government to take the most stringent possible  
measures to eradicate the plague in India.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Princess Wilhelm left for a cruise yester-  
day.The French cruiser Ily left yesterday for  
Toulon.A CRICKET MATCH—Hills v. Plains—will be  
played to-morrow, trundling commencing at  
11 a.m.ALL the Banks and Insurance Offices, the Post  
Office and other Government offices will be  
closed to-morrow.ANOTHER military concert will be given in the  
Theatre Royal on Saturday, 6th inst., when the  
Battal of Waterloo illustrated by music will be  
one of the chief items.THE Straits Times of the 22nd, January, con-  
tains the following announcement—From  
Bombay we learn by wire to-day that the plague  
is decreasing there. Yesterday, there were sixty-  
nine cases and seventy-five deaths.If the mail boat arrives from Shanghai to-  
morrow and it is highly probable that she will  
be late in the forenoon—the Post Office will be  
opened for delivery for one hour only, but no  
letters will be sent out from the Post Office.THERE was a good deal of surprise in the city  
to-day at about 11 a.m. when it was known that  
the M. M. liner Oceanic, which was to leave  
at daylight for Shanghai, was coming up the  
harbour again. We are informed by the manager  
of the Company that a dense fog obscured the  
Lyco-moon Pass, and after waiting a while, it  
was decided to take the vessel through the  
Green Island Pass instead. The fog showed no  
sign of clearing for several hours and the naviga-  
tion of Lyco-moon with so large a vessel would  
have been very hazardous under the circum-  
stances.

## TELEGRAMS.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased  
to recognise, provisionally, Mr. C. Beutmann  
as in charge of the Danish Consulate, during the  
temporary absence of the Consul for Denmark.A DIVIDEND of 7 1/2 per cent. on the redoubled  
share capital for the working year ending 30th  
June, 1896, has been declared by the Florio  
Rubattino Steamship Company.DURING the week ended the 17th ultimo 124  
cases of small-pox were reported in Kobe pre-  
fecture. In Osaka 45 cases were reported on  
the 17th ultimo, 24 cases occurring in the urban  
districts.The Chairman read the following telegram—  
"From the Governor to the Viceroy of India:  
—Would a small contribution from Hongkong  
to Famine Fund be acceptable?""From the Viceroy to the Governor Hong-  
kong."The Famine Fund Committee will thankfully  
accept any contribution."From the Central Committee, Calcutta,  
to the Governor, Hongkong:—The Central  
Committee of the Indian Famine Fund, Calcutta,  
earnestly solicits your cordial co-operation.  
Highest possible scope for private benevolence  
outside State relief system. Area and numbers  
affected enormous; distress rapidly increasing.  
Famine privations of millions of industrious  
poor will arouse profound sympathy of all  
classes and all nations. Committee make urgent  
appeal to you to organise relief fund. Will be  
deeply grateful for contributions which will be  
publicly acknowledged. Sir Francis MacLean,  
Chief Justice of Bengal, is chairman of com-  
mittee."The Acting Local Manager of the Telegraph  
Company (Mr. Bullard) notified the Private  
Secretary that his Company would convey all  
messages between the Governor and the Viceroy  
free of charge, and he had instructed the Madras  
office to the same effect.Mr. T. Jackson was appointed hon. treasurer  
to the fund and Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart was  
appointed hon. secretary.Mr. J. J. Francis, C.C., proposed that the  
committee should place itself in communication  
with the committee to be formed for the celebra-  
tion of Her Majesty's 60th year of reigning  
and invite them to consider the advisability of  
devoting part of any funds they raised to the  
Famine Relief Fund.

Mr. Vernon seconded the motion.

Mr. Jackson opposed, saying that the Famine  
Fund should be entirely separate from the Cele-  
bration Fund.

Mr. Ede also opposed the proposal.

Mr. Justice Sercombe Smith spoke in support  
of Mr. Francis's motion.On a division being taken the motion was  
negatived by 13 votes to 8.It was decided to issue subscription lists  
forthwith and the Xung Wa Hospital committee  
is to be communicated with in order to raise  
subscriptions amongst the Chinese residents.  
The latter movement was proposed by Mr. Ho  
Me and seconded by the Hon. Wei Yek.

THE MILITARY CONCERT.

Lovers of martial music had a rich treat in  
the Theatre Royal on Saturday night when  
the full bands (brass and drums and files) of the  
West Yorks repeated the grand military concert  
lastly given by them at the Rink. Mr. Sam  
Marks, the manager, was wise in having secured  
the Theatre for the occasion, every part of the  
house being crowded. The programme consisted  
of solos and operatic selections in the first part,  
the piccolo performance being notably brilliant.  
A new feature in the concert was a  
beautiful descriptive fantasia entitled "The  
Smithy in the Wood," and the sweet music of  
birds, the villagers' hymns, and the clang of the  
blacksmith's "sledge" were listened to with  
rapt attention and most enthusiastically  
applauded, the encore being inevitable. A corner  
solo "The Lost Chord" was particularly good,  
and the full band next gave a selection from  
"William Tell" (Russian). The piece de  
resistance was the "British Army Quadrille,"  
in which the music illustrates the movements in  
a military camp, the attack, a battle  
and the victory of the British arms.  
The success of the performance was remark-  
able and the bandmen were heartily  
cheered when they illustrated the entry  
of English, Irish and Scottish regiments, the latter  
of course being played in with the bagpipes.  
See the Conquering Hero comes" and a  
fitting finale to the piece. Afterwards "God  
Bless the Prince of Wales" and the National  
Anthem were played and the audience remained  
standing throughout instead of hurrying off,  
as is usually the case. The West Yorks' band-  
master, Mr. W. G. Bentley, A.R.C.M., is once  
more to be congratulated on the perfection to  
which he has brought his band, such a fine  
body of musicians being a valuable acquisition  
to Hongkong, and one that is highly appreciated.

GERMANY AND CHINA.

A SCHEME FOR THE PARTITION OF CHINA.

We find it stated in the London and China  
Express of January 1st, received by the French  
mail yesterday, that the Berlin correspondent of  
a leading London daily reports that in com-  
mercial circles in Germany, far more than among  
journalists and politicians, the new Russo-  
Chinese Convention is the subject of lively  
discussion. It is generally regarded as an-  
other masterpiece of Russian diplomacy.While Europe, and above all Germany, were  
courting and flatterer Li Hung-chang, who  
graciously condescended to make vague and  
empty promises, Russia in all secrecy was  
reaping the fruits. The question is asked—  
What should be the attitude of Germany  
in view of the ever-increasing influence of  
Russia in North China? It is the duty of  
Germany to attempt some adjustment which  
would give to Germany a territory, and  
a share here where her influence would play  
a dominating part, and this before it is  
too late. It is generally accepted in Berlin  
that Russian influence will now extend as  
far north as the Yellow River, and that  
England has the best claims to the coast  
and Hinterland south of the Yangtze.If the German sphere of influence could be so  
notified that Germany would commercially control  
the territory between the Yellow River and the  
Yangtze River, it would be taken as a satis-  
factory solution of a threatening problem which  
must be faced sooner or later by the great  
commercial Powers of Europe. The Yellow  
River would be the boundary between the  
Russian and German spheres of influence,  
and the Yangtze would divide those of Germany  
and England. While France gladly consents to  
the extension of Russian power towards the Yel-  
low River, it is more than probable that she would  
object to the "partitioning out of the remaining  
portions of China proper for commercial pur-  
poses. Accordingly it is proposed to allow  
France to occupy the entire province of Yunnan  
as far as the north-eastern boundary of Burma  
and the head-waters of the Brahmaputra.

CENSUS 1897.

Europeans and other Non-Chinese.

Chinese.

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NOTANDĀ.

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**T**HE Undermentioned BANKS will be  
CLOSED for the Transaction of Public  
Business TO-MORROW, the 2nd February :—  
For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,  
AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA,  
T. H. WHITEHEAD,  
Manager, Hongkong.  
For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING  
CORPORATION,  
T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.  
For the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,  
LIMITED,  
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,  
Chief Manager.  
For the MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA,  
LIMITED,  
J. W. R. TAYLOR,  
Manager, Hongkong.  
For the BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE,  
Hongkong Agency,  
M. LACAZE,  
Acting Manager.  
For the BANK OF CHINA & JAPAN, LIMITED,  
HONGKONG,  
CHANTREY INCHBALD,  
Manager.  
For the YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED,  
NAO NABEKURA,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, 1st February, 1897. [188]

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CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

**T**HE Undermentioned INSURANCE  
OFFICES will be CLOSED for the  
Transaction of Public Business TO-MORROW,  
the 2nd February :—  
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
General Agents,  
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LD.  
General Managers,  
HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.  
N. J. EDE,  
Secretary,  
UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF  
—CANTON, LD.  
L. KENNARD DAVIS,  
Acting Agent,  
NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE CO., LD.  
W. H. RAY,  
Secretary,  
CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LD.  
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
Agents,  
YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LD.  
GEORGE L. TOMLIN,  
Acting Secretary,  
CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.  
WM. MACLEAN,  
Manager,  
THE STRAITS INSURANCE CO., LD.  
Hongkong, 1st February, 1897. [192]

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HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO  
STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

**T**HE DIVIDEND at the Rate of 8 PER  
CENT. or \$1.20 per Share, DECLARED  
at the Ordinary Half-Yearly Meeting of Share-  
holders held this Day, will be PAYABLE at  
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING  
CORPORATION CO. and after MONDAY, the 1st  
February, 1897.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to apply to  
the OFFICE of the COMPANY for WARRANTS.  
By Order of the Board of Directors,  
T. ARNOLD,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1896.

**THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the **EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS** will be held at the **Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on TUESDAY, the 9th February, 1897, at 12 o'clock (Noon)**, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Twelve Months ending the 31st December, 1896.

The **TRANSFER BOOKS** of the Company will be **CLOSED FROM FRIDAY, the 29th Jan., to TUESDAY, the 9th February** (both days inclusive), during which period no **TRANSFER OF SHARES** can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

**A. SHELTON HOOPER,**  
Secretary to the  
**Hongkong Land Investment and**  
**Agency Company, Limited.**  
Agents for the  
**Kowloon Land and Building**  
**Company, Limited.**  
**Hongkong, 18th January, 1897. [161]**  
**HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING**  
**CORPORATION.—**

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the **ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING** of the **SHAREHOLDERS** in this **CORPORATION** will be held at the **CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 15th day of February next, at Noon**, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Account to 31st December, 1896.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
**T. JACKSON,**  
Chairman.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1897. 106

**HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**

**N**OTICE is hereby given that the REGISTERS of SHARES of the CORPORATION will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 30th January current, to SATURDAY, the 13th day of February next (both days inclusive), during which period no TRANSFER of SHARES can be Registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
**T. JACKSON,**  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1897. [107]

**THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY  
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS IN THE  
COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE,  
No. 1, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on  
MONDAY, the 15th February, at Twelve o'clock  
Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement  
of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for  
the year ending 31st December, 1896.**

**THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 15th inst.,  
both days inclusive.**

**By Order,**

**GEO. L. TOMLIN,  
Acting Secretary.**



## Intimations.

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**WATKINS & CO.**  
Sole Agents for Hongkong and the Empire of China  
of China  
SCOTT & BOWNE, LTD.  
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Special Prices offered to Builders.  
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VISITORS have the option of meeting either in TOKYO or YOKOHAMA, without extra charge—THE ONLY HOTEL OFFERING SUCH AN ADVANTAGE. EUROPEAN HAIR DRESSERS on the Premises.

Certified Guides are in attendance at both Hotels.

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## Scott's Emulsion

is endorsed by the whole medical profession as an ideal nourishment during growth. It contains the essential elements for increasing vitality, giving flesh, and making solid bones. It cures Rickets, Marasmus, and all Wasting Diseases, and makes the children robust, strong, and healthy. Prepared by SCOTT & BOWNE, Limited, London. All Chemists.

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TUESDAYS,  
GREEN-TURTLE STEAKS FOR TEA.  
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SALADS and DELICIOUS ENTREES sent to PRIVATE HOUSES at shortest notice.  
WEDDINGS, PRIVATE PARTIES,  
TIFFINS and DINNERS a Speciality.  
Hongkong, 15th December, 1896.

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Used for all purposes.  
With the Utmost Success.

Thoroughly reliable preservative for Wood and Stone against White Ants, Decay, Fungus Rot and Dampness.

Sole Agents for China,  
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Hongkong, 15th May, 1896.

## LEVY HERMANOS.

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A special reliable Watch made for this Climate.

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FOR ALL BILIOUS and NERVOUS DISORDERS SUCH AS SICK HEADACHE, CONSTIPATION, SMUTTY and OFF, JAUNDICE, IMPAIRED DIGESTION, DISORDERED LIVER, and FEMALE AFFECTIONS.

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A. S. WATSON & Co.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1896.

## Shipping.

STEAMERS.

**THE Steamship**  
"ARISTOTON" ARISTOTON  
Capt. K. E. Smith, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-HONGKONG, the 2nd Feb. at 10 A.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DAVID SASSER, SOUS & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1897.

**OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**  
FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.  
THE Company's Steamship  
"MYNDOON"  
Capt. Gardner, will be despatched on above on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd February.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 2nd January, 1897.

**NIPPON Yusen Kaisha.**  
JAPAN-AMERICA LINE.  
MONTHLY SERVICE.  
FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, PORT SAID, SUEZ, LONDON AND AMSTERDAM.  
THE Company's Steamship  
"SEIKAI"  
Capt. K. E. Smith, will be despatched on above on SATURDAY, the 5th February, at 5 P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 2nd January, 1897.

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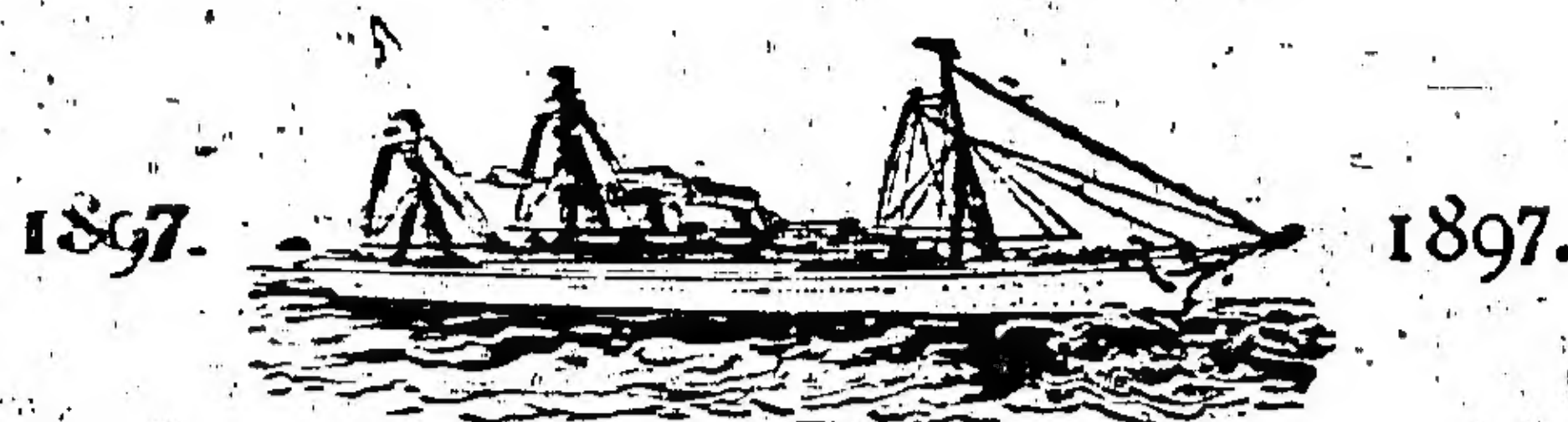
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## Mails.

## CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE



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THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.  
Callings at SHANGHAI, HAKODATE, KORE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.  
Two Steam Steamships—4,000 Tons—4000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
EXPRESS OF INDIA—Capt. O. P. Marshall, R.M.R.—WEDNESDAY, 17th February.  
EXPRESS OF JAPAN—Capt. H. Pybus, R.M.R.—WEDNESDAY, 17th March.  
EXPRESS OF CHINA—Capt. R. Archibald, R.M.R.—WEDNESDAY, 7th April.

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and finally make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers through in all packages and ABOUT THE WORLD. Return tickets to various ports at reduced rates. Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months. SPECIAL RATES (First-class only) granted to Ministers, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan.

CANADIAN PACIFIC TOUR TICKETS—Hongkong to Vancouver, Vancouver to Sydney, Australia, via Honolulu, and Sydney to Hongkong via Brisbane and Torres Straits. Good for 9 months, 1 year.

The attractive features of this Company's route, embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS; (second to none in the world), the LUXURANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having secured the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition) and the beauty of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, etc., apply to  
D. E. BROWN, General Agent,  
Paddlers' Street.

## OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO  
YOKO, THE UNITED STATES,  
HONGKONG,  
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND  
AUSTRALIA.  
VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,  
AND  
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING  
STEAMERS.  
VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND  
HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
Peru (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Island Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Saturday, 13th Feb., at Noon.  
City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Island Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Tuesday, 2nd March, at Noon.  
City of Peking (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Island Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Tuesday, 23rd March, at Noon.

THE U.S. Mail Steamship  
"PERU"  
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, HAKODATE, KORE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 13th February, 1897, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through TICKETS TO EUROPE have the choice of a direct Rail Route from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of \$4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and may choose Chicago as destination the choice of direct route.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Ministers, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Service, to European Officials in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, to Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Venezuela, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Ports beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in San Francisco, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

**F. BLACKHEAD & CO.**  
SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAHMANN, COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS.  
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HAKODATE'S GRAY PAINT,  
HAKODATE'S PATENT MOTOR LAUNCHES, etc.  
Sole Agents for  
FERGUSON'S SPECIAL CREAM  
P. & O. SPECIAL BOTTLED SCOTCH WHISKY, etc.  
EVERY KIND OF  
SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES  
KEPT IN STOCK.  
REASONABLE PRICES.  
Hongkong, 1st May, 1896.

## Mails.

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## NOTICE.

STEAM FOR  
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS:  
ALSO  
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Prins Heinrich ..... Tuesday... 12nd Feb.  
Fremont ..... Tuesday... 12nd March.  
Sachsen ..... Tuesday... 12th March.  
Bayern ..... Tuesday... 12th April.  
Prins Heinrich ..... Tuesday... 12th May.

ON TUESDAY, the 2nd day of February, 1897, at 6 A.M., the Company's Steamship "PRINZ HEINRICH," Captain Coppers, with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on SATURDAY, the 30th Jan. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY the 1st Feb., and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on MONDAY, the 1st Feb. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to  
MELCHERS & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1897.

## NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and CANADA and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON \$400.  
Excellent accommodation. First-class Table. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK \$350.  
The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery of the Rocky and Cascade Mountains. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA \$225.  
Rates of Passage to other Ports on application. Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Braemar ..... 3,601 Tuesday... Feb. 9.  
Tacoma ..... 2,549 Tuesday... Mar. 2.  
Victoria ..... 2,157 Tuesday... Mar. 23.  
Olympia ..... 2,608 Tuesday... April 13.  
Braemar ..... 3,601 Tuesday... May 4.

## THE Steamship

"BRAEMAR."

Captain Porter, sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 9th February, will proceed to VICTORIA (B.C.), and TACOMA (Wash.), via SHANGHAI, KORE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Ports, and to Canadian and United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in quadruplicate; and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to  
DODWELL, CARROLL & Co.,  
General Agents.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1897.

## THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERMAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and AMERICAN PORTS.)

## THE Steamship

"MIRZAPUR."

Captain J. F. Topham, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this Port for BOMBAY, etc., on THURSDAY, the 11th February, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Gifts and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, etc., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to  
H. A. RITCHIE,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1897.

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